## Elizabeth Crowley for Congress

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August 25, 2014

Mr. John Ost Political Director American Federation of Teachers 555 New Jersey Avenue N.W. Washington, DC 20001

Dear Mr. Ost,

The recent contribution made by the American Federation of Teachers (AFT) to the Elizabeth Crowley for Congress 2012 dated May 8, 2014 has been used to pay off campaign debts. Although the campaign had no reported debts at the end of 2012, it did report debts to the FEC starting the quarterly statement of April 2013 and they were still outstanding at the time of the April 2014 letter to the AFT.

After receiving the above stated AFT contribution and after the campaign paid off some debt, the campaign still has a debt of seven hundred dollars and has less than fifty dollars left in the campaign bank account.

The campaign will work with the FEC to make sure that the debt was reported correctly.

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Edward Ryan Senior Campaign Finance Analyst Jill Sugarman Campaign Analyst Moira McDermott Treasurer Paul Egan UFT Political Director



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August 15, 2014

Ms. Moira McDermott Campaign Treasurer Elizabeth Crowley for Congress 77-24 83 Street Glendale, NY 11385

Subject: AFT COPE contribution check #015863 for \$5,000.00 dated May 8, 2014

Dear Ms. McDermott,

We have recently been advised by the Federal Election Commission (FEC) that the subject contribution may be unlawful because it exceeds the outstanding debts from Ms. Crowley's campaign for the U.S. House of Representatives in the 2012 primary election for the 6<sup>th</sup> Congressional District of New York.

Our informal review of FEC reports filed by the Crowley congressional campaign indicates that the campaign had approximately \$28,000.00 in cash on hand at the end of 2012. It also appears that no outstanding debts were reported by the campaign to the FEC, as of December 31, 2012.

Assuming this information is correct, our legal counsel advises us that FEC rules require that the \$5000.00 contribution amount be refunded to AFT COPE within the next ten (10) days. If this information is incorrect, or if the Crowley campaign has any other facts that would establish the legality of the subject contribution, we ask that the campaign provide a detailed explanation within the next ten (10) days.

Your priority attention to this matter will enable our committee to be in compliance with FEC rules. As you probably know, the Crowley campaign may also be noncompliant with FEC rules if the committee had no debts related to the 2012 primary election campaign at the time the contribution was received.

If you have questions or concerns about this letter, please contact our FEC compliance counsel, Bradley Litchfield of the Oldaker Law Group, LLP, at 202-728-1010.

Sincerely,

Nohn M. Ost Political Director

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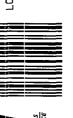
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